GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:67
ANSWERED ON:20.02.2001
IMPROVEMENT IN THE POLICE SYSTEM
AJAY CHAKRABORTY

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have appointed a number of committees since 1966 to study and report the ways and means to improve the police system in the country;

(b) if so, the details of these committees;

(c) whether these committees have submitted their report and important recommendations; and

(d) if so, the details of the recommendations accepted and implemented so far?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)to(d): A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.67 FOR ANSWER ON 20TH FEBRUARY, 2001

The Government had set up a National Police Commission in November, 1977 to make a comprehensive review of the police system at the national level. The Commission submitted 8 Reports which were laid on the table of the House and were also sent to the State Governments/UT Administrations for consideration and appropriate action.

2. These reports were considered by the State Governments/UT Administration and action has been taken to implement many of the recommendations considered appropriate by them.

3. The question of implementation of some of the crucial recommendations of the National Police Commission also formed the subject matter of a public Interest Litigation in the Supreme Court. On the directions of the Hon`ble Court, the Government constituted a committee under the Chairmanship of Shri J.F. Ribeiro on 25th May, 1998, to review the action on the recommendation of National Police Commission, Lw Commission and Vohra Committee. The Reports of this Committee have been filed in the Supreme Court, as per its directions.

4. A Committee on Police Reforms was constituted by the Government on 5th January, 2000 under the chairmanship of Shri K. Padmanabhaiah, Ex-Union Home Secretary to examine and specify the challenges the Police would face in the new millenium and to suggest ways and means to meet them adequately. The Committee submitted its report on 30.8.2000. The recommendations which can be implemented straightaway by the State Governments/UT Administrations have since been sent to them alongwith a copy of the Report for implementation in a time bound manner. The remaining recommendations are being examined.